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1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL WE SOUGHT MEETING WITH MINSTATESEC
NICOLAE BUT WERE REFERRED TO DEPY FOR TRADE MIN STANCIU.

2. POSTURE ADOPTED BY STANCIU WAS ONE OF GREAT GOR FLEXIBILITY
RE TIMING OF COMMISSION MEETING. STANCIU STATED PREFERENCE
FOR SESSION SHORTLY AFTER CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF TRADE
AGREEMENT, IE IN FIRST HALF OF JULY WERE AGREEMENT APPROVED
IN SECOND HALF OF JUNE. THIS SCHEDULING WOULD PERMIT COMMISSION'S
CONCLUSIONS TO HAVE MORE IMMEDIATE AND THEREFORE MORE PROFOUND
EFFECT ON BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS. ON OTHER HAND, STANCIU
ALLOWED THAT HE COULD SEE MERIT OF HAVING INTERVAL OF SEVERAL
MONTHS BETWEEN CONGRESSIONAL ACTION AND COMMISSION MEETING TO
PERMIT BOTH SIDES MORE TIME FOR REFLECTION AND PREPARATION.
IN BRIEF, ACCORDING STANCIU, GOR HAD NO PRECONCEPTIONS AND
WOULD BE SYMPATHETIC TO ANY PROPOSALS USG MIGHT MAKE.

3. COMMENT: WE ARE DUBIOUS THAT THERE WAS ANY PRIOR COORDINATION
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BETWEEN NICOLAE AND STANCIU. OUR SUSPICION IS THAT TIMING

SUGGESTED BY NICLAE ON APRIL 17 PROBABLY REFLECTS HIS
SUPERIORS' THINKING MORE ACCURATELY THAN DO STANCIU'S COMMENTS.
IN ANY EVENT, WE WOULD GAUGE THAT ONLY EFFECTIVE WAY TO FLUSH
GOR OUT IS TO MAKE SPECIFIC PROPOSAL ON WHICH IT CAN FOCUS.
WE THEREFORE REQUEST DEPARTMENT TO SUGGEST PREFERRED AND
ALTERNATIVE DATES WHICH WE CAN TRANSMIT TO GOR.
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